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REGISTERED UNORGANISED SECTOR WORKERS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of registration done in the country under the provisions of the Unorganised Workers' Social Security Act, 2008 along with the objectives of the said registration, State-wise;

(b) the number of sectors included in the said registration process;

(c) whether the Government has set any target of registration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a): The objective of registration is to provide benefit under welfare schemes formulate by the Central Government for different sections of unorganised workers on matters relating to (a) life and disability cover; (b) health and maternity benefits; (c) old age protection (d) any other benefit as may be determined by the Central Government.

The scheme-wise number of registration for the welfare schemes under the Unorganised Workers Social Security Act, 2008 is at Annexure-I.

(b): "Unorganised Sector` means an enterprise owned by individuals or selfÂ employed workers and engaged in the production or sale of goods or providing service of any kind whatsoever, and where the enterprise employs workers, the number of such workers is less than ten. The term 'unorganized worker' has been defined under the Unorganized Workers Social Security Act, 2008 as a home-based worker, self-employed worker or a wage worker in the organized sector and includes a worker in the organized sector who is not covered by any of the Acts mentioned in Schedule-II of this Act i.e. (i) The Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923 (8 of 1923), (ii) The Industrial Disputes Act, 1947 (14 of 1947), (iii) The Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948 (34 of 1948), (iv) The Employees' Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provision Act, 1952 (19 of 1952), (v) The Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 (53 of 1961) and The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972 (39 of 1972). Hence, these entire workers can registered them selves in the welfare scheme under this Act in accordance to their eligibility.

(c) to (d): At present there is no such target for the registration of unorganised workers.